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**NEWS RELEASE**

## **Grossman's Legal Team Asking Court to Dismiss Case Related to MPC**

**EL PASO, Texas** – Max Grossman's legal team, without objection from the City of El Paso, is asking the Second Court of Appeals to dismiss a case related to the Multipurpose Performing Arts and Entertainment Center (MPC).

In a motion filed on Monday, Grossman's lawyers stated they were withdrawing the complaint and seeking to have the court dismiss the case. The motion stated, "Dr. Grossman now stipulates that the evidence produced during discovery will likely not show that officials with decision making authority at the City intentionally took any action (or failed to take action) to violate the Order of the 8<sup>th</sup> Court of Appeals."

"The City in the interest in saving taxpayer funds recently agreed to participate in mediation related to this legal matter. The request to dismiss this case shows that the City did act in full compliance of court orders," Mayor Dee Margo said.

The case alleged the City had not complied with a court order issued by the Eighth Court of Appeals regarding the demolition of buildings within the proposed MPC footprint.

The MPC is the largest of the three signature bond projects overwhelming approved by voters. A total of 71.67 percent of votes cast were in favor of the bond project. The [ordinance](#) calling for the election stated the multipurpose center would be located in downtown.

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